(b) and (c) The amount sanctioned and spent on maintenance and structural conservation of the centrally protected monuments/sites in State of Tamil Nadu during last three years are as below:

1996-97	Rs. 80,00,000
1997*98	Rs. 1,00,77,000
1998-99	Rs. 89,09,800

The maintenance and conservation of the centrally protected monument is a continuous process. The monuments are inspected periodically by the officers of the Survey Based upon the inspections, conservation works on monuments/sites are carried out as per their priorities and availability of resources.

Establishing Kendrlya/Navodaya Vidyalayas in Assam

2891. SHRI PRAKANTA WARISA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Assam have susbsmitted any Memorandum,' representation for establishing more Kendriya Vidyalayas and Navodaya Vidyalayas in the state;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what steps are being taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) and (b) Proposals for the opening of new Kendriya Vidyalayas at Sibsagar and Dibrugarh have been received from the Government of Assam.

(c) *Kendriya Vidyalayas*

No new Kendriya Vidyalayas have been opened during 1998-99 for want of budgetary allocations and required approval. Decision on opening of new Kendriya Vidyalay as during 1999-2000 will depend upon the availability of resources.

Navodaya Vidyalayas. The endeavour of. the Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti is to open one JNV .in each district of the country, including those in Assam. It however, depends upon the receipt of suitable proposals from the concerned State Government and availability of financial resources. Out of. total of 23 districts targetted to be covered under navodaya Vidyalaya Scheme in the State. of Assam, JNVs have been sanctioned in 18 districts.

Youth Hostels in Assam

2892. SHRI PRAKANTA WARISA: Will the Minsiter of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPEMNT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of youth hostels constructed, location-wise, in Assam during the last three years and till date;

(b) the number of youth hostels proposed to be constructed in the State during 1999-2000, location-wise; and

(c) the steps being taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINSITER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT OF THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SUSHREE UMA BHARTI): (a) The details of Youth Hostels constructed in the state of Assam during the last three years and till date are as under:—

S. No.	Name of Youth Hostel	Year of Completion
1.	Guwahati	1994
2.	Golaghat	1994
3.	Nagaon	1998
4.	Tezpur	On the verge of completion.

(b) and (c) On receipt of viable proposals from State Government of Assam, the Department would consider construction of more Youth Hostels in the State. Presently, there is no such proposal from State of Assam.